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1. SOURCES HERE HAVE BEEN RELATIVELY CLOSED MOUTH ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF ROY DENMAN REPLACING THEODORUS HIJZEN AS THE COMMISSION'S DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS. HOWEVER, IT IS FAIRLY CLEAR THAT DENMAN IS THE BRITISH CANDIDATE AND WE HAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT THE UK IS PUSHING HARD FOR HIM.

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2. WE MENTIONED THE RUMORS TO BOTH HIJZEN AND DENMAN DURING A RECENT COCKTAIL PARTY MARKING THE POLITICAL DIRECTORS MEETING IN LONDON. DENMAN ONLY GRUNTED. IN A SEPARATE CONVERSATION HIJZEN SAID THERE IS A GREAT DEAL OF MANEUVERING GOING ON AND IT SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN AS A CERTAINTY AT ALL THAT DENMAN WILL GET THE JOB. A FEW MID-LEVEL UK OFFICIALS SEEM TO ASSUME THAT IT IS QUITE

LIKELY THAT DENMAN WILL TAKE OVER DG I. TO OUR KNOW-LEDGE, THE ONLY PRESS ARTICLE ON THE SUBJECT WAS A GUARDIAN PIECE THREE WEEKS AGO WHICH SAID THE UK VERY MUCH WANTED DENMAN IN THE POSITION IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN A SENIOR BRITISH PRESENCE IN EXTERNAL AFFAIRS WITH THE DEPARTURE OF SIR CHRISTOPHER.

3. ONE FINAL POINT. IT'S NOW SIR ROY AND LADY MOYA.
DENMAN WAS RECENTLY MADE A KNIGHT COMMANDER OF THE ORDER
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